

**John Stanwix to George Washington, January 13, 1757,  
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**FROM COLONEL JOHN STANWIX.<sup>1</sup>**

LANCASTER Janry. 13th. 1757

DEAR SIR

it is with great Pleasure I own the favour of your obliging letter by Capt. Stewart and am much rejoyced to hear of your being in a fair way of recovery Wch: is wish'd for by all your friends both for their own sakes as well as that of your Country whose services you are known to have so much at heart

I am told from my Friends in England that his Majesty intends me an Old Regiment but whether it is to be here or in Europe is not certain, as these things are often talked of a long time before done that may possibly be my case I have a strong notion that I shall come towards Winchester but hope the Spring will be a little advanced first, if this should happen propose great satisfaction to myself in having the Opportunity of consulting with you on any service I may be Order'd upon, beg you will believe that I am with great truth

Dr. Sir Your most Obedt. & most humble Servt. JOHN STANWIX

<sup>1</sup> John Stanwix (nephew to the Brigadier-General Stanwix famous in the wars of Queen Anne) entered the army in 1706, and was appointed colonel commandant of the 60th regiment of Royal Americans, January 1, 1756. The following year he was put in command of the southern district, with his headquarters at Carlisle, Pa. He was appointed brigadier-general, December 29. In 1758, being relieved by General Forbes, he proceeded to Albany with directions to build a fort (called in his honor Stanwix, afterwards Fort Schuyler) at the "Oneida carrying

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place," on the Mohawk River, on the site of Rome, Oneida County, New York. He was made a major-general, and returned to Pennsylvania in 1759. Repaired Fort Pitt and considerably strengthened it. Resigned in favor of Sir Richard Monckton, May 4, 1760, and returned to England, where he was appointed lieutenant-governor of the Isle of Wight. He was lost at sea while crossing from Dublin to Holyhead, December, 1765.